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HIGHLIGHTS

North Carolina's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in August 1990 was 3.6 percent, declining 1.0 from the July 1990 rate of 4.6. In August 1989 the state's unemployment rate was 3.7. For the nation, the adjusted unemployment rate was 5.6 in August 1990 . The national rate was 5.3 in August 1989.

The civilian labor force for North Carolina in August was estimated at 3,370,000, a monthly decline of 40,000 from the July estimate of 3,410,000. From August 1989, the civilian labor force saw an decline of 17,000 people.

Employment, seasonally adjusted for August was 3,247,000. This was a decline of 5,000 from the July level of 3,252,000. The number employed in August 1990 was 5,000 less than in August 1989. The number of persons unemployed declined by 35,000 in August (123,000) from July (158,000). From a year ago (125,000), the unemployed estimate was down by 2,000.

In August, North Carolina's seasonally adjusted industry employment rose to 3,104,300, or 9,000 more than the prior month's estimate of 3,095,300. An over-the-month gain of 2,400 in goods producing and a gain of 6,600 in service producing accounted for this rise.This goods producing gain was most prominent in furniture (+2,200) and textiles (+1,200). Employment gains in service producing was almost totally attributable to government (+7,500).

From August 1989-August 1990 a total of 25,300 employees were added to industry payrolls. Manufacturing employment declined by 18,500, to a level of 847,000 as employment in goods producing was declining by 21,400 to 1,012,300. The manufacturing losses in tobacco, furniture, textiles, and apparel were most significant. In service producing, strong gains occurred in trade (+15,100); service & miscelleanous (+21,200); and transportation (+3,000) .

There were 16,786 persons placed in jobs through the Employment Security Commission in August 1990. Of these, 2,381 persons were placed in manufacturing industries, 3,680 persons founds jobs in the services industry, while 1,884 individuals were placed in the trade industry. By occupational category, 3,127 individuals were employed in packaging and material handling and 1,517 in machine trades.

Production workers in North Carolina's manufacturing industries earned $8.81 an hour in August. The average hours worked were 40.1, and average weekly earnings amounted to $353.28. There was a increase of $ .37 an hour in average hourly earnings from August 1989 . Workers in cigarette manufacturing were the highest hourly wage earners at $19.38. In service producing, the average hourly earnings were highest among workers in pulp, paper, and paperboard mills at $15.83.

The number of production workers in North Carolina's manufacturing industries rose by 6,200, from 651,700 in July to 657,900 in August. This increase was spread across the entire sector. The largest over-the-month gainer was textile mill products (+3,000). From August of last year, manufacturing lost 18,000 production workers. This loss occurred throughout the manufacturing sector with the most significant losses in the textile (-6,800); furniture (-3,600) and apparel (-3,700) industries.

Table 1

Employment Status of the North Carolina Civilian Population

August 1990

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted

	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: March 1990 through August 1990					
	Aug. 1989	Mar. 1990	Apr. 1990	May 1990	June 1990	July 1990	Aug. 1990
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,945	4,980	4,985	4,991	4,996	5,002	5,006
Civilian Labor Force	3,387	3,399	3,410	3,451	3,438	3,410	3,370
Participation Rate[1]	68.4	68.3	68.4	69.1	68.8	68.2	67.3
Employed	3,262	3,283	3,281	3,312	3,312	3,252	3,247
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	66.0	65.9	65.8	66.4	66.3	65.0	64.9
Unemployed	125	116	129	139	126	158	123
Unemployment Rate	3.7	3.4	3.8	4.0	3.7	4.6	3.6
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: June 1990 through Aug. 1990		
	Aug. 1989	June 1990	July 1990	Aug. 1990
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,945	4,999	5,002	5,006
Civilian Labor Force	3,471	3,471	3,494	3,418
Participation Rate[1]	70.2	69.5	69.9	68.3
Employed	3,357	3,339	3,336	3,300
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	68.0	66.8	66.7	65.9
Unemployed	114	132	157	118
Unemployment Rate	3.3	3.8	4.5	3.5
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	1.2	1.5	1.5	INA

[1]The participation rate represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population that are in the labor force.
[2]The employment-population ratio represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population who are employed.
[3]The insured unemployment rate represents a weekly average of weeks claimed for unemployment insurance benefits in a given month as a percentage of employment covered under the Employment Security Law for the most recent 12-month period for which data are available.

Table 2

Employment Status of the United States Civilian Population

August 1990

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted -

	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: February 1990 through July 1990					
	Aug. 1989	Mar. 1990	Apr. 1990	May 1990	June 1990	July 1990	Aug. 1990
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	186,598	187,529	187,669	187,828	187,977	188,136	188,261
Civilian Labor Force	124,070	124,829	124,886	125,004	124,836	124,767	124,660
Participation Rate[1]	66.5	66.6	66.5	66.6	66.4	66.3	66.2
Employed	117,550	118,334	118,116	118,350	118,389	117,953	117,658
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	63.0	63.1	62.9	63.0	63.0	62.7	62.5
Unemployed	6,520	6,495	6,770	6,653	6,447	6,814	7,003
Unemployment Rate	5.3	5.2	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.6
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.4	INA

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: June 1990 through August 1990		
	Aug. 1989	June 1990	July 1990	Aug. 1990
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	186,598	187,977	188,136	188,261
Civilian Labor Force	125,444	126,307	126,900	126,012
Participation Rate[1]	67.2	67.2	67.5	66.9
Employed	119,092	119,605	119,954	119,174
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	63.8	63.6	63.8	63.3
Unemployed	6,352	6,702	6,945	6,837
Unemployment Rate	5.1	5.3	5.5	5.4
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	2.1	2.1	2.2	INA

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Figure 1

A Comparison of Unemployment Rates in North Carolina and the United States (Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1989 -August 1990

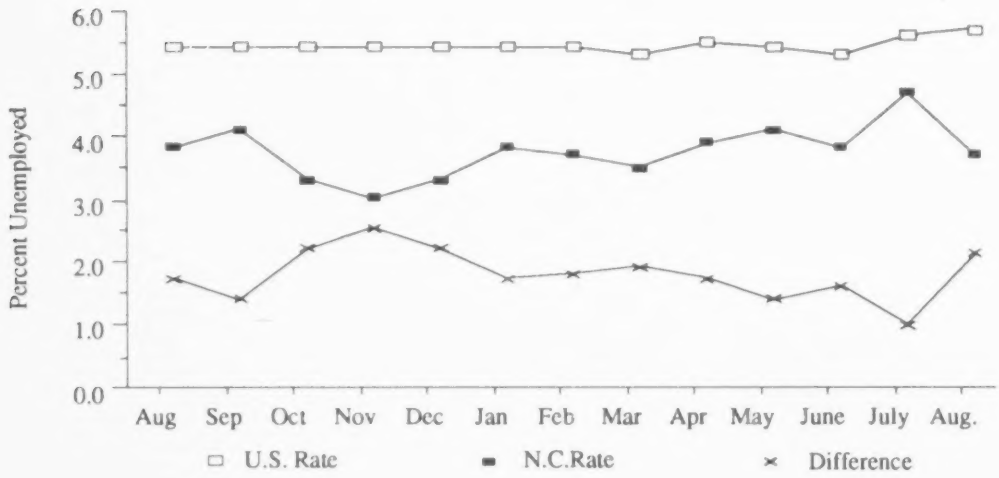

Figure 2

North Carolina Unemployment Rates (Adjusted and Unadjusted)

August 1989-August 1990

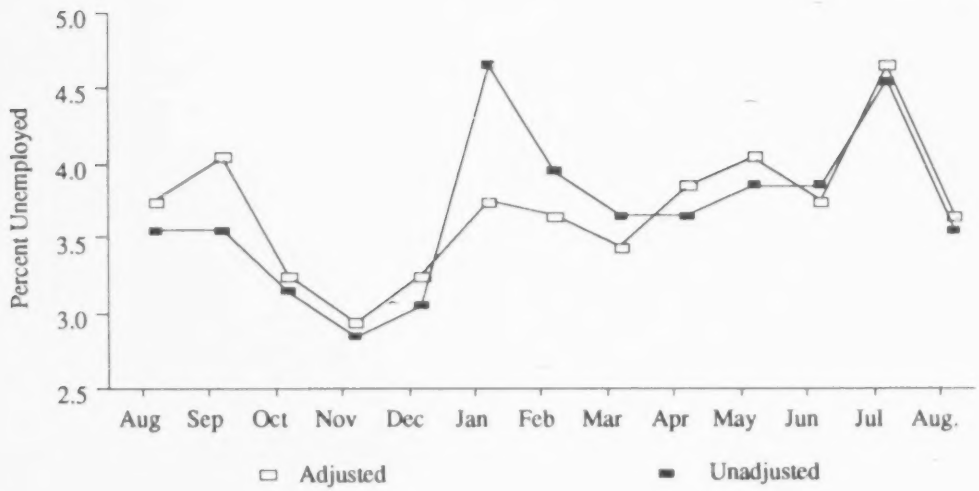

Table 3

Industry Employment in North Carolina

August 1990[1]

(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	Change From: July 1990 Net	July 1990 Percent	Aug. 1989 Net	Aug. 1989 Percent
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force [3]	3,418.2	3,493.5	3,434.7	- 75.3	- 2.2	- 16.5	- 0.5
Employment, Total	3,299.9	3,336.2	3,315.0	- 36.3	- 1.1	- 15.1	- 0.5
Unemployment, Total	118.3	157.3	119.7	- 39.0	- 24.8	- 1.4	- 1.2
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	3.5	4.5	3.5	- 1.0	xxx	0.0	xxx
(Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force[3]	3,370.0	3,410.0	3,387.0	- 40.0	- 1.2	- 17.0	- 0.5
Employment, Total	3,247.0	3,252.0	3,262.0	- 5.0	- 0.2	+ 15.0	+ 0.5
Unemployment, Total	123.0	158.0	125.0	- 35.0	- 22.2	- 2.0	- 1.6
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	3.6	4.6	3.7	- 1.0	xxx	- 0.1	xxx
Total Nonagricultural Employment	3,104.3	3,095.3	3,079.0	+ 9.0	+ 0.3	+ 25.3	+ 0.8
Goods Producing	1,012.3	1,009.9	1,033.7	+ 2.4	+ 0.2	- 21.4	- 2.1
Mining	4.9	4.9	4.8	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 2.1
Construction	160.4	160.0	163.4	+ 0.4	+ 0.3	- 3.0	- 1.8
Manufacturing	847.0	845.0	865.5	+ 2.0	+ 0.2	- 18.5	- 2.1
Durable Goods	350.5	349.5	356.0	+ 1.0	+ 0.3	- 5.5	- 1.5
Lumber & Wood Products	36.4	36.3	35.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 1.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.9	12.9	12.7	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 1.6
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	9.6	9.4	9.4	+ 0.2	+ 2.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.1
Furniture & Fixtures	85.0	82.8	87.0	+ 2.2	+ 2.7	- 2.0	- 2.3
Household Furniture	75.0	74.1	77.0	+ 0.9	+ 1.2	- 2.0	- 2.6
Wood Household Furniture	36.4	36.0	37.3	+ 0.4	+ 1.1	- 0.9	- 2.4
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.7	31.7	33.0	0.0	0.0	- 1.3	- 3.9

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[3]Data are compiled on the basis of Place of Residence.
[4]This category includes Instruments & Related Products and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.
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(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	Change From: July 1990 Net	July 1990 Percent	Aug. 1989 Net	Aug. 1989 Percent
Stone, Clay & Glass	20.9	21.0	21.3	- 0.1	- 0.5	- 0.4	- 1.9
Structural Clay Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prods.	5.8	5.9	6.0	- 0.1	- 1.7	- 0.2	- 3.3
Primary Metal Products	12.5	12.4	12.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.8	+ 0.5	+ 4.2
Fabricated Metal Products	30.4	30.3	30.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	- 0.3	- 1.0
Fab. Struct. Metal Products	9.0	9.0	8.9	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 1.1
Industrial Machinery	64.7	64.8	64.0	- 0.1	- 0.2	+ 0.7	+ 1.1
Special Industry Machinery	7.6	7.6	7.7	0.0	0.0	- 0.1	- 1.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	54.3	55.0	56.9	- 0.7	- 1.3	- 2.6	- 4.6
Household Appliances	4.5	5.0	5.3	- 0.5	- 10.0	- 0.8	- 15.1
Transportation Equipment	25.9	26.4	27.4	- 0.5	- 1.9	- 1.5	- 5.5
Other Durable Goods[4]	20.4	20.5	20.8	- 0.1	- 0.5	- 0.4	- 1.9
Nondurable Goods	496.5	495.5	509.5	+ 1.0	+ 0.2	- 13.0	- 2.6
Food & Kindred Products	50.6	51.2	50.1	- 0.6	- 1.2	+ 0.5	+ 1.0
Meat Products	24.3	24.3	23.9	0.0	0.0	+ 0.4	+ 1.7
Meat Packing Products	2.7	2.7	2.6	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 3.8
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.4	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 4.2
Bakery Products	8.5	8.5	8.6	0.0	0.0	- 0.1	- 1.2
Beverages	5.5	5.5	5.6	0.0	0.0	- 0.1	- 1.8
Tobacco Manufacturers	18.7	18.2	21.5	+ 0.5	+ 2.7	- 2.8	- 13.0
Cigarettes	13.7	13.7	16.5	0.0	0.0	- 2.8	- 17.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.5	4.6	4.3	- 0.1	- 2.2	+ 0.2	+ 4.7
Textile Mill Products	212.0	210.8	219.1	+ 1.2	+ 0.6	- 7.1	- 3.2
Broadwoven Fabrics: Cotton, Manmade & Wool	50.0	48.6	52.2	+ 1.4	+ 2.9	- 2.2	- 4.2
Broadwoven Fabrics, Cotton	23.2	21.7	24.0	+ 1.5	+ 6.9	- 0.8	- 3.3
Broadwoven Fabrics, Manmade	24.9	25.0	26.2	- 0.1	- 0.4	- 1.3	- 5.0

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(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	Change From: July 1990 Net	July 1990 Percent	Aug. 1989 Net	Aug. 1989 Percent
Knitting Mills	83.4	83.7	84.3	- 0.3	- 0.4	- 0.9	- 1.1
Women's Hosiery, exc. Socks	23.1	23.1	22.6	0.0	0.0	+ 0.5	+ 2.2
Hosiery, NEC	22.9	23.4	24.2	- 0.5	- 2.1	- 1.3	- 5.4
Weft Knit Fabric Mills	16.9	16.8	17.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.6	- 0.1	- 0.6
Lace & Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.2	6.3	6.3	- 0.1	- 1.6	- 0.1	- 1.6
Textile Finishing, exc. Wool	16.3	16.3	17.0	0.0	0.0	- 0.7	- 4.1
Yarn & Thread Mills	47.3	47.3	50.4	0.0	0.0	- 3.2	- 6.3
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.5	78.7	82.9	- 0.2	- 0.3	- 4.4	- 5.3
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats & Furnishings	26.9	27.6	28.6	- 0.7	- 2.5	- 1.7	- 5.9
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	31.3	31.2	33.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	- 2.1	- 6.3
Paper & Allied Products	23.1	22.8	22.8	+ 0.3	+ 1.3	+ 0.3	+ 1.3
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	9.6	9.4	9.7	+ 0.2	+ 2.1	- 0.1	- 1.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	9.2	9.1	9.0	+ 0.1	+ 1.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.2
Printing & Publishing	30.4	30.4	30.3	0.0	0.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Newspapers	10.8	10.9	10.7	- 0.1	- 0.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	45.0	45.0	44.3	0.0	0.0	+ 0.7	+ 1.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	14.9	14.9	14.7	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
Rubber & Misccellaneous Plastic Products	34.3	34.4	34.0	- 0.1	- 0.3	+ 0.3	+ 0.9
Other Nondurable Goods[5]	3.9	4.0	4.5	- 0.1	- 2.5	- 0.6	- 13.3
Service Producing	2,092.0	2,085.4	2,045.3	+ 6.6	+ 0.3	+ 46.7	+ 2.3
Transportation	155.6	155.5	152.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 3.0	+ 2.0
Comm. & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	56.9	56.7	56.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	0.0	0.0

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(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	Change From: July 1990 Net	July 1990 Percent	Aug. 1989 Net	Aug. 1989 Percent
Wholesale and Retail Trade	728.6	731.0	713.5	- 2.4	- 0.3	+ 15.1	+ 2.1
Wholesale Trade	171.0	172.3	169.4	- 1.3	- 0.8	+ 1.6	+ 0.9
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	101.6	101.8	100.8	- 0.2	- 0.2	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	69.4	70.5	68.6	- 1.1	- 1.6	+ 0.8	+ 1.2
Retail Trade	557.6	558.7	544.1	- 1.1	- 0.2	+ 13.5	+ 2.5
General Merchandise Stores	85.1	85.4	79.5	- 0.3	- 0.4	+ 5.6	+ 7.0
Food Stores	89.8	90.1	88.2	- 0.3	- 0.3	+ 1.6	+ 1.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	133.5	133.1	132 9	+ 0.4	+ 0.3	+ 0.6	+ 0.5
Service & Miscellaneous[6]	583.8	582.8	562.6	+ 1.0	+ 0.2	+ 21.2	+ 3.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	30.1	30.2	29.4	- 0.1	- 10.3	+ 0.7	+ 2.4
Personal Services	30.2	30.1	29.4	+ 1.0	+ 0.3	+ 0.8	+ 2.7
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	13.9	14.1	13.8	- 0.2	- 1.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
Total Government	490.5	483.0	483.7	+ 7.5	+ 1.6	+ 6.8	+ 1.4
Federal	56.1	58.5	54.7	- 2.4	- 4.1	+ 1.4	+ 2.6
State	139.5	136.2	138.7	+ 3.3	+ 2.4	+ 0.8	+ 0.6
Education	72.2	70.6	72.5	+ 1.6	+ 2.3	- 0.3	- 0.4
Other	67.3	65.6	66.2	+ 1.7	+ 2.6	+ 1.1	+ 1.7
Local	294.9	288.3	290.3	+ 6.6	+ 2.3	+ 4.6	+ 1.6
Education	155.7	149.9	155.6	+ 5.8	+ 3.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Other	139.2	138.4	134.7	+ 0.8	+ 0.6	+ 4.5	+ 3.3
All Other Nonag. Employment[7]	265.0	264.8	268.9	+ 2.0	+ 0.1	- 3.9	- 1.5
Agriculture	43.1	48.9	55.2	- 5.8	- 11.9	- 12.1	- 21.9

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Figure 3

Composition of Nonagricultural Employment in North Carolina (Seasonally Adjusted)

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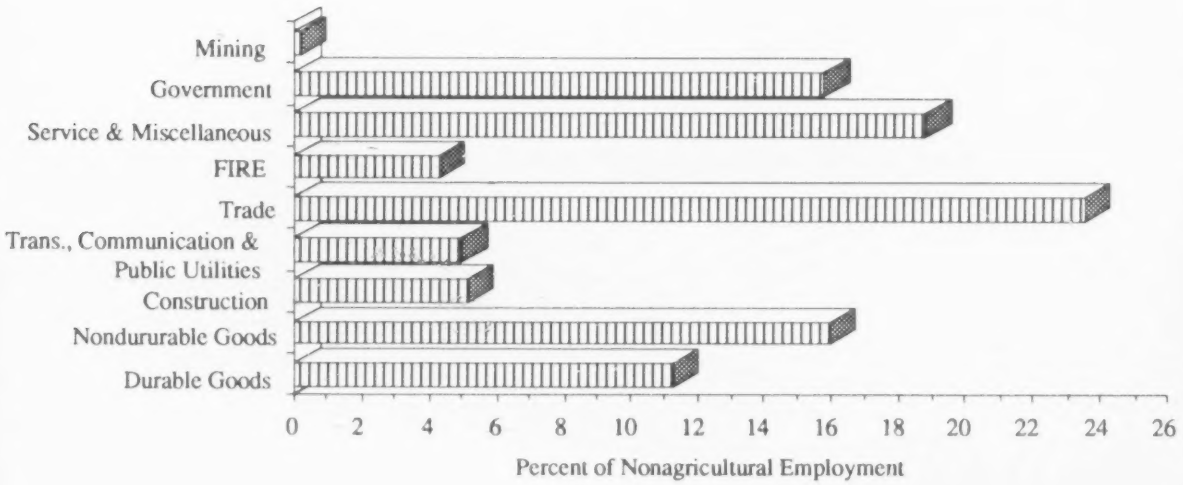

Figure 4

Employment Levels in Major Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina (Seasonally Adjusted)

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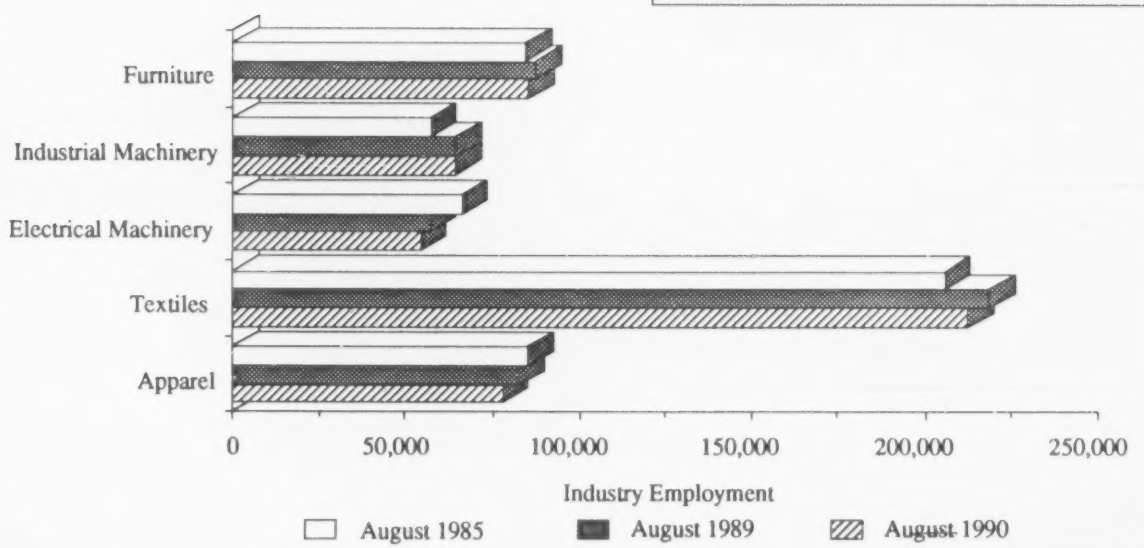

Table 4

Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission by Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions August 1990[1]

Occupational Categories and Divisions	Total Individuals Placed[2]	Total Individuals Placed In Regular Jobs[2, 3]	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	Mining	Construction
Total	16,786	14,970	922	34	1,072
Professional, Technical & Managerial Occupations	1,144	483	4	0	13
Clerical Occupations	4,073	1,798	12	2	27
Sales Occupations	712	348	1	2	6
Domestic Service Occupations	216	75	2	0	1
Other Service Occupations	4,607	1,957	3	0	15
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishery & Related Occupations	5,130	911	742	1	10
Processing Occupations	3,302	1,460	122	6	3
Machine Trade Occupations	1,517	1,511	8	1	20
Benchwork Occupations	3,812	2,009	11	0	13
Structural Work Occupations	3,489	1,589	8	4	1,063
Motor Freight & Transportation Occupations	397	382	4	1	33
Packaging & Materials Handling Occupations	3,127	2,974	6	9	3
Miscellaneous Occupations	86	86	2	1	2

[1]The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991.
[2]The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for industrial divisions do count each placement of an individual.
[3]A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

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Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission by Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions August 1990[1]

Manufacturing	Transportation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Services	Public Administration	Government
2,381	636	1,884	166	3,680	753	1,214
0	8	75	8	167	143	150
0	122	519	109	492	326	476
20	8	250	7	53	0	21
1	2	0	0	69	2	5
134	17	570	17	1052	166	284
0	22	7	10	130	7	49
0	0	31	0	20	0	0
1,314	5	51	1	109	1	2
1,692	1	22	0	279	0	1
0	21	32	10	184	81	99
0	114	121	0	64	16	21
1,309	318	217	4	1,103	3	93
62	5	1	0	8	10	32

[1]The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991.
[2]The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for industrial divisions do count each placement of an individual.
[3]A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

Figure 5

A Comparison of Insured Unemployment Rates in North Carolina and the United States (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1989-August 1990

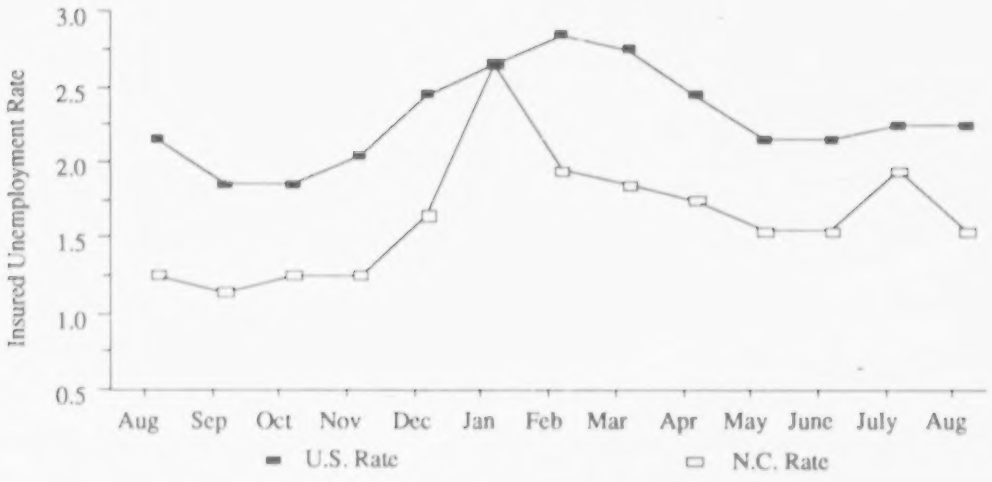

Figure 6

Individuals Placed in Jobs through the Employment Security Commission by Major Industrial Category

August 1990

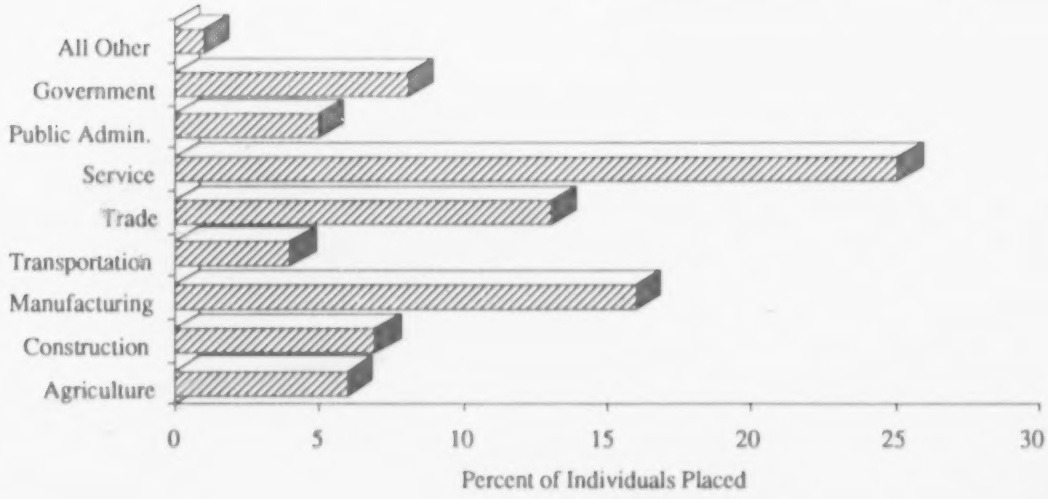

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Table I

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1990[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	Percent Change From: July 1990	Aug. 1989
Total Nonagricultural Employment	3,077.1	3,067.7	3,052.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.8
Goods Producing	1,020.9	1,014.4	1,042.7	+ 0.6	- 2.1
Mining	5.0	5.0	4.9	0.0	+ 2.0
Construction	166.0	166.1	169.2	- 0.1	- 1.9
Manufacturing	849.9	843.3	868.6	+ 0.8	- 2.2
Durable Goods	350.5	349.0	356.1	+ 0.4	- 1.6
Lumber & Wood Products	36.7	36.6	36.2	+ 0.3	+ 1.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.0	13.0	12.8	0.0	+ 1.6
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	9.6	9.6	9.5	0.0	+ 1.1
Furniture & Fixtures	84.2	81.7	86.3	+ 3.1	- 2.4
Household Furniture	74.4	72.4	76.4	+ 2.8	- 2.6
Wood Household Furniture	36.3	35.2	37.2	+ 3.1	- 2.4
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.6	31.3	32.9	+ 1.0	+ 4.0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	21.0	21.2	21.4	- 0.9	- 1.9
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	0.0
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Products	5.9	6.0	6.1	- 1.7	- 3.3
Primary Metal Industries	12.5	12.4	12.0	+ 0.8	+ 4.2
Fabricated Metal Industries	30.5	30.3	30.8	+ 0.7	- 1.7
Fabricated Structural Metal Products	9.1	9.1	9.0	0.0	+ 1.1
Machinery, except Electrical	64.8	64.8	64.2	0.0	+ 0.9
Special Industry Machinery	7.6	7.5	7.7	+ 1.3	- 1.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	54.6	55.0	57.2	- 0.7	- 4.5
Household Appliances	4.7	5.0	5.5	- 6.0	- 14.5
Transportation Equipment	25.5	26.5	26.9	- 3.8	- 5.2
Other Durable Goods[3]	20.7	20.5	21.1	+ 1.0	- 1.9
Nondurable Goods	499.4	494.3	512.5	+ 1.0	- 2.6
Food & Kindred Products	51.2	52.1	50.7	- 1.7	+ 1.0
Meat Products	24.3	24.3	23.9	0.0	+ 1.7
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.6	0.0	+ 3.8
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	0.0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.0	+ 4.2
Bakery Products	8.5	8.5	8.6	0.0	- 1.2
Beverages	5.6	5.6	5.8	0.0	- 3.4

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Table I
(Continued)

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1990[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	Percent Change From: July 1990	Aug. 1989
Tobacco Manufacturers	19.2	16.9	22.0	+13.6	- 12.7
Cigarettes	13.8	14.1	16.7	- 2.1	- 17.4
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	5.0	2.4	4.8	+108.3	+ 4.2
Textile Mill Products	213.3	210.0	220.5	+ 1.6	- 3.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Manmade & Wool	50.1	48.6	52.3	+ 3.1	- 4.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	23.2	21.7	24.0	+ 6.9	- 3.3
Weaving Mills, Manmade	24.8	24.8	26.1	0.0	- 5.0
Knitting Mills	84.3	84.0	85.2	+ 0.4	- 1.1
Women's Hosiery, except Socks	23.3	23.1	22.8	+ 0.9	+ 2.2
Hosiery, NEC	23.2	23.5	24.5	- 1.3	- 5.3
Weft Knit Fabric Mills	17.0	16.9	17.1	+ 0.6	- 0.6
Lace & Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.3	6.2	6.4	+ 1.6	- 1.6
Textile Finishing, except Wool	16.3	15.7	17.1	+ 3.8	- 4.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	47.5	46.9	50.7	+ 1.3	- 6.3
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.7	78.1	83.1	+ 0.8	- 5.3
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	26.8	27.2	28.5	- 1.5	- 6.0
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	31.3	31.0	33.4	+ 1.0	- 6.3
Paper & Allied Products	23.1	22.9	22.8	+ 0.9	+ 1.3
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	9.5	9.5	9.6	0.0	- 1.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	9.2	9.1	9.0	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Printing & Publishing	30.2	30.3	30.1	- 0.3	+ 0.3
Newspapers	10.7	10.8	10.6	- 0.9	+ 0.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	45.4	45.5	44.7	- 0.2	+ 1.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	15.0	15.0	14.8	0.0	+ 1.4
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics Products	34.3	34.5	34.0	- 0.6	+ 0.9
Other Nondurable Goods[4]	4.0	4.0	4.6	0.0	- 13.0

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Table I
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Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

August 1990[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	Percent Change From: July 1990	Aug. 1989
Service Producing	2,056.2	2,053.3	2,009.5	+ 0.1	+ 2.3
Transportation & Public Utilities	156.9	155.8	153.7	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Communications & Utilities	57.2	57.2	57.2	0.0	0.0
Wholesale & Retail Trade	733.9	733.6	718.9	*	+ 2.1
Wholesale Trade	173.5	172.7	172.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.8
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	102.2	102.4	101.5	- 0.2	+ 0.7
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	71.3	70.3	70.6	+ 1.4	+ 1.0
Retail Trade	560.4	560.9	546.8	- 0.1	+ 2.5
General Merchandise Stores	83.3	82.8	77.8	+ 0.6	+ 7.1
Food Stores	90.1	91.2	88.5	- 1.2	+ 1.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	135.2	135.1	134.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
Service & Miscellaneous[5]	591.4	591.0	570.2	+ 0.1	+ 3.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	33.7	33.8	33.0	- 0.3	+ 2.1
Personal Services	29.7	29.7	28.9	0.0	+ 2.8
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	13.9	14.1	13.8	- 1.4	+ 0.7
Health Services	154.1	153.9	147.4	+ 0.1	+ 4.5
Hospitals	64.4	63.9	59.7	+ 0.8	+ 7.9
Legal Services	13.3	13.6	13.4	- 2.2	- 0.7
Education Services	27.3	27.5	27.8	- 0.7	- 1.8
Total Government	439.0	437.8	432.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.6
Federal	56.4	58.7	55.0	- 3.9	+ 2.5
State	129.5	127.6	128.7	+ 1.5	+ 0.6
Education	61.0	58.9	61.3	+ 3.6	- 0.5
Other	68.5	68.7	67.4	- 0.3	+ 1.6
Local	253.1	251.5	248.4	+ 0.6	+ 1.9
Education	111.3	109.1	111.1	+ 2.0	+ 0.2
Other	141.8	142.4	137.3	- 0.4	+ 3.3

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Table II

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

August 1990[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Eanrings		
	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989
Mining	$471.89	$480.89	$480.20	46.4	47.1	49.1	$10.17	$10.21	$9.78
Manufacturing	353.28	347.21	340.98	40.1	39.5	40.4	8.81	8.79	8.44
Durable Goods	371.49	364.80	355.59	40.6	40.0	40.5	9.15	9.12	8.78
Lumber & Wood Products	322.38	323.60	307.13	40.5	40.4	40.2	7.96	8.01	7.64
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	309.60	323.99	309.17	38.7	39.9	40.1	8.00	8.12	7.71
Furniture & Fixtures	312.09	296.61	298.68	38.2	36.8	38.0	8.17	8.06	7.86
Household Furniture	309.75	293.17	295.95	38.1	36.6	37.7	8.13	8.01	7.85
Wood Household Furniture	303.67	288.42	291.95	39.8	38.1	39.4	7.63	7.57	7.41
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	441.11	408.29	398.65	41.3	41.2	41.7	9.93	9.91	9.56
Structural Clay Products	324.31	326.67	330.00	38.7	39.5	40.0	8.38	8.27	8.25
Primary Metal Industries	446.64	448.35	417.35	42.7	42.7	42.5	10.46	10.50	9.82
Fabricated Metal Industries	400.88	408.62	387.81	41.2	41.4	41.3	9.73	9.87	9.39
Industrial Machinery	420.26	405.73	403.01	41.9	40.9	42.2	10.03	9.92	9.55
Special Industry Machinery	409.81	395.79	382.22	42.6	41.1	41.5	9.62	9.63	9.21
Electrical Machinery	393.86	388.86	378.90	41.9	41.5	41.5	9.40	9.37	9.13
Household Appliances	304.15	293.28	296.17	43.7	41.6	43.3	6.96	7.05	6.84
Transportation Equipment	450.59	434.08	409.64	42.7	41.9	41.8	10.55	10.36	9.80
Nondurable Goods	341.88	336.80	332.49	39.8	39.3	40.4	8.59	8.57	8.23
Food & Kindred Products	326.02	313.22	306.64	40.6	39.9	40.4	8.03	7.85	7.59
Meat Products	269.72	266.39	260.29	39.9	39.7	39.8	6.76	6.71	6.54
Meat Packing Products	370.96	370.92	367.57	43.2	44.0	44.5	8.57	8.43	8.26

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Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

August 1990[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989
Dairy Products	336.01	335.45	328.52	43.3	43.4	43.0	7.76	7.73	7.64
Grain Mill Products	403.43	387.99	376.02	47.8	46.3	45.8	8.44	8.38	8.21
Bakery Products	364.88	344.84	344.84	41.7	41.0	41.9	8.75	8.88	8.23
Beverages	583.98	561.74	548.27	41.3	40.5	41.1	14.14	13.87	13.34
Tobacco Manufacturers	568.45	649.13	565.07	37.3	37.5	35.9	15.24	17.31	15.74
Cigarettes	719.00	718.77	684.54	37.1	37.3	36.2	19.38	19.27	18.91
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	228.46	245.48	192.64	37.7	38.6	34.4	6.06	6.37	5.60
Textile Mill Products	310.42	302.62	307.76	39.9	39.2	41.2	7.78	7.72	7.47
Broadwoven Mills, Cotton, Manmade & Wool	344.06	336.15	346.09	40.1	39.5	41.9	8.58	8.51	8.26
Broadwoven Mills, Cotton	328.41	322.62	346.04	38.5	38.0	42.2	8.53	8.49	8.20
Broadwoven Mills, Manmade	360.29	346.22	346.11	41.7	40.6	41.6	8.64	8.53	8.32
Knitting Mills	283.63	279.90	281.59	38.8	38.5	40.4	7.31	7.27	6.97
Women's Hosiery, exc. Socks	247.75	246.34	243.84	37.2	37.1	38.1	6.66	6.64	6.40
Hosiery, NEC	273.08	270.94	276.76	38.3	38.0	40.7	7.13	7.13	6.80
Weft Knit Fabric Mills	313.23	307.31	326.56	39.4	38.9	42.8	7.95	7.90	7.63
Lace & Warp Knit Fabric	356.14	359.91	320.88	42.6	43.0	42.0	8.36	8.37	7.64
Textile Finishing, exc. Wool	326.98	318.68	319.62	41.6	40.7	42.0	7.86	7.83	7.61
Yarn & Thread Mills	307.09	294.84	294.84	40.3	39.0	41.3	7.62	7.56	7.33
Apparel & Other Textile Products	229.50	227.25	222.72	37.5	37.5	38.4	6.12	6.06	5.80
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	223.35	231.57	223.67	36.2	37.9	38.3	6.17	6.11	5.84
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	212.13	208.99	205.90	36.7	36.6	37.3	5.78	5.71	5.52

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August 1990[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989	Aug. 1990	July[3] 1990	Aug.[3] 1989
Paper & Allied Products	525.23	520.73	518.28	43.3	43.0	43.7	12.13	12.11	11.86
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	702.85	701.79	705.78	44.4	44.9	45.8	15.83	15.63	15.41
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	426.94	411.42	405.32	43.3	41.6	42.8	9.86	9.89	9.47
Printing & Publishing	388.99	388.88	376.53	38.4	38.2	38.5	10.13	10.18	9.78
Newspapers	311.98	307.51	297.11	32.6	31.8	32.4	9.57	9.67	9.17
Chemicals & Allied Products	493.74	486.45	464.52	42.2	41.4	42.0	11.70	11.75	11.06
Plastics & Synthetics	506.35	511.28	509.58	41.2	41.5	42.5	12.29	12.32	11.99
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	437.63	426.78	409.70	40.9	40.3	39.7	10.70	10.59	10.32
Comm. & Elec., Gas & Sanitary Services	561.96	561.13	549.01	42.8	42.9	43.4	13.13	13.08	12.65
Wholesale & Retail Trade	228.55	228.30	220.29	32.1	32.2	32.3	7.12	7.09	6.82
Wholesale Trade	366.52	366.99	351.62	39.2	39.0	39.2	9.35	9.41	8.97
Retail Trade	189.03	187.07	181.80	30.1	30.3	30.3	6.28	6.24	6.00
General Merchandise Stores	182.12	185.47	173.73	28.5	29.3	29.1	6.39	6.33	5.97
Food Stores	198.74	200.02	190.86	31.2	31.4	31.6	6.37	6.37	6.04
Services, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	151.69	147.64	142.19	28.3	27.7	28.1	5.36	5.33	5.06
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	228.80	218.78	216.30	35.2	34.4	35.0	6.50	6.36	6.18

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Figure I

Average Hourly Earnings by Major Industry Sectors in North Carolina

August 1990

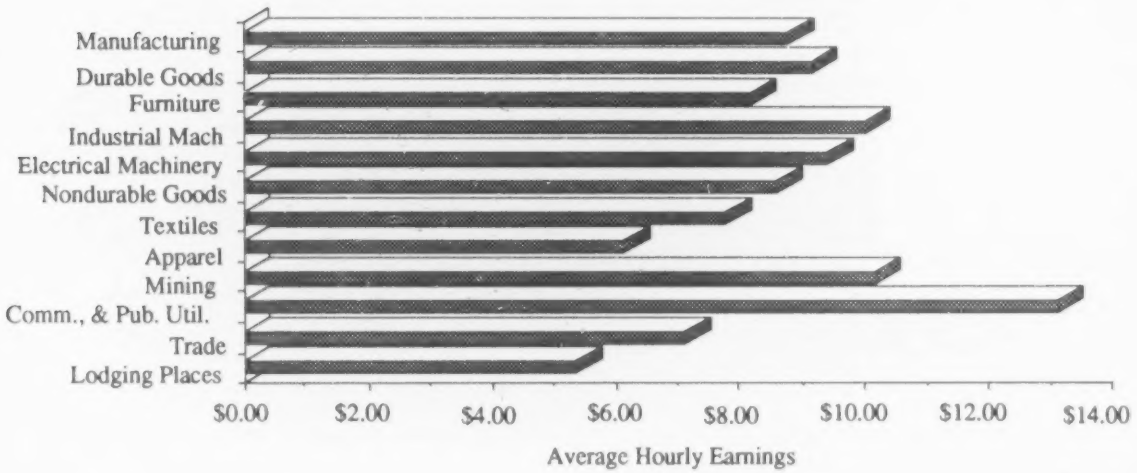

Figure II

Average Hourly Earnings in Durable Goods Industries Compared to the North Carolina Average

August 1990

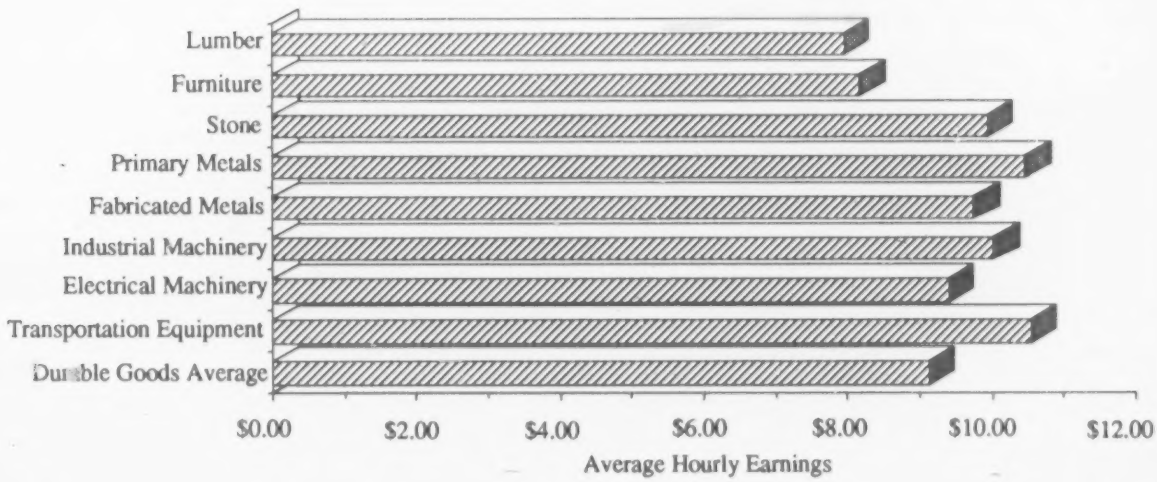

Table III

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

August 1990[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	July 1990	Aug. 1989
Manufacturing	657.9	651.7	675.9	+ 1.0	- 2.7
Durable Goods	255.8	254.6	260.9	+ 0.5	- 2.0
Lumber & Wood Products	31.2	30.9	30.5	+ 1.0	+ 2.3
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	8.0	8.0	7.8	0.0	+ 2.6
Furniture & Fixtures	72.7	70.7	74.7	+ 2.8	- 2.7
Household Furniture	64.9	63.2	66.5	+ 2.7	- 2.4
Wood Household Furniture	32.4	31.4	33.4	+ 3.2	- 3.0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	16.6	16.8	17.1	- 1.2	- 2.9
Structural Clay Products	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
Primary Metal Industries	9.3	9.2	9.1	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Fabricated Metal Industries	22.1	21.9	22.2	+ 0.9	- 0.5
Industrial Machinery	33.1	33.2	32.5	- 0.3	+ 1.8
Special Industry Machinery	5.0	4.9	5.1	+ 2.0	- 2.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	35.5	35.9	38.2	- 1.1	- 7.1
Household Appliances	4.1	4.4	4.8	- 6.8	- 14.6
Transportation Equipment	20.4	21.2	21.7	- 3.8	- 6.0
Other Durable Goods[3]	14.9	14.8	14.9	+ 0.7	0.0
Nondurable Goods	402.1	397.1	415.0	+ 1.3	- 3.1
Food & Kindred Products	36.7	37.4	36.0	- 1.9	+ 1.9
Meat Products	20.8	20.8	20.4	0.0	+ 2.0
Meat Packing Plants	1.9	2.0	1.9	- 5.0	0.0
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.6	0.0	+ 6.3
Bakery Products	4.9	5.0	5.0	- 2.0	- 2.0

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Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

August 1990[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Aug. 1990	July[2] 1990	Aug. 1989	July 1990	Aug. 1989
Beverages	2.3	2.3	2.4	0.0	- 4.2
Tobacco Manufacturers	14.2	11.9	16.0	+19.3	- 11.3
Cigarettes	9.7	10.0	11.9	- 3.0	- 18.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.1	1.5	3.7	+173.3	+ 10.0
Textile Mill Products	187.5	184.5	194.3	+ 1.6	- 3.5
Broadwoven Fabrics-Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	44.5	43.2	46.6	+ 3.0	- 4.5
Broadwoven Fabrics Mills-Cotton	20.7	19.3	21.4	+ 7.3	- 3.3
Broadwoven Fabrics Mills-Manmade	22.0	22.0	23.3	0.0	- 5.6
Knitting Mills	74.4	74.0	75.4	+ 0.5	- 1.3
Women's Hosiery, except Socks	20.7	20.5	20.3	+ 1.0	+ 2.0
Hosiery, NEC	20.8	21.1	22.2	- 1.4	- 6.3
Weft Knit Fabric Mills	15.0	14.8	15.0	+ 1.4	0.0
Lace and Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.1	5.0	5.3	+ 2.0	- 3.8
Textile Finishing, except Wool	13.4	12.9	14.5	+ 3.9	- 7.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	42.9	42.3	45.5	+ 1.4	- 5.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	68.4	67.8	72.1	+ 0.9	- 5.1
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	23.7	24.0	24.9	- 1.3	- 4.8
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	26.8	26.6	28.8	+ 0.8	- 6.9
Paper & Allied Products	18.0	17.9	17.7	+ 0.6	+ 1.7
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	7.2	7.2	7.3	0.0	- 1.4
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.3	7.2	7.0	+ 1.4	+ 4.3
Printing & Publishing	18.6	18.7	18.3	- 0.5	+ 1.6
Newspapers	4.1	4.1	4.1	0.0	0.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	27.8	27.9	29.0	- 0.4	- 4.1
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	10.7	10.6	11.1	+ 0.9	- 3.6
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics Products	27.4	27.6	27.6	- 0.7	- 0.7
Other Nondurable Goods[3]	3.5	3.4	4.0	+ 2.9	- 12.5

[1]Data for the current month are preliminary.
[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

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